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For Immediate Release:

Lashly & Baer, P.C. to Open Edwardsville Office as Part of Strategic Growth

ST. LOUIS – Tuesday, Dec. 16, 2025 – Lashly & Baer, P.C. announced today that it will open a new office in Edwardsville, Illinois effective January 1, 2026. The new location expands the firm’s presence in Illinois and reinforces its long-term commitment to serving clients throughout the Metro East and surrounding communities.

For more than a century, as a full-service firm, Lashly & Baer has developed a very diverse and extremely loyal base of local, regional and national clients. The Edwardsville office will strengthen the firm’s accessibility for Illinois-based clients and support continued growth across the firm’s core practice areas.

“This expansion has been part of a larger strategic vision for the firm,” said Lisa O. Stump, president of Lashly & Baer. “Establishing a permanent, fully staffed office in Edwardsville positions us to expand our footprint in Illinois and better serve the communities and businesses throughout the region.”

As part of the transition, Lashly & Baer will close its Belleville, Illinois office and shift its Illinois presence to the new Edwardsville location. The Edwardsville office will be staffed by Illinois-based attorneys and support professionals and will provide a convenient setting for client meetings and regional outreach.

The firm has also continued to grow its Illinois-based team. In 2025, Lashly & Baer welcomed Michael P. McGinley, Kathryn M. Warren, and Trent W. Carriger. Effective January 1, 2026, the firm expects to add attorneys from Silver Lake Law Group; Jeffrey A. Mollet, Nicole E. Mollet-Marti, and Michael A. Lawlor, Jr., further strengthening the firm’s capabilities in Illinois.

“One of the reasons I chose to move my practice and team to Lashly & Baer was the commitment to expand the Southern Illinois practice and bring a team of incredibly talented and experienced lawyers to Edwardsville,” said Michael P. McGinley. “Southern and Central Illinois has always

been, and will always be, the focus of my practice, and we are thrilled to have a base in Edwardsville from which we can serve our clients.”

With these additions, Lashly & Baer expands its ability to serve Illinois clients across key areas including, but not limited to agriculture, banking, business and business litigation, education law, estate planning, municipal law, product liability defense, real estate, and succession planning.

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About Lashly & Baer, P.C.

Founded in 1912, Lashly & Baer, P.C. is a full-service law firm serving local, regional, and national clients. The firm maintains offices in Downtown St. Louis, Missouri, and Edwardsville, Illinois (effective January 1, 2026).

Lashly & Baer has been recognized by Best Law Firms (U.S. News & World Report). The firm has received national recognition in Health Care Law and metropolitan rankings in Corporate Law, Employment Law – Management, Health Care Law, Medical Malpractice Law – Defendants, Personal Injury Law – Defendants, and other practice areas.